

HOUSE RESOLUTION 35  
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A RESOLUTION to commend Robbie Daniels and his family for their bravery.

WHEREAS, the first thing you see when you look at Robbie Daniels of Little Creek is the typical face of a seventeen-year-old teenager, with a smile that betrays an unquenchable spirit and an obvious sense of fun; and

WHEREAS, on August 31, 1994, Robbie found out he had cancer and was in the struggle of his life; and

WHEREAS, in order to halt the progress of the disease, Robbie was treated with thirteen different types of experimental chemotherapy; and

WHEREAS, despite his problems and pain, Robbie bravely accepted his situation as just another challenge and an opportunity for God to heal him; and

WHEREAS, Robbie is not the typical high school junior. His vocational instructor says that he is the ideal student, eager to learn and very knowledgeable; and

WHEREAS, this bright and talented young man started playing the piano and banjo while he was in the Ronald McDonald House in Knoxville. Displaying his newfound talent, Robbie entertained the younger patients at the hospital; and

WHEREAS, this mannerly young man gets together with Perry Brown, Mitchell and Mike Cosby to play music at every opportunity. He listens intently to songs and studies books and videotapes in order to improve his playing; and

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WHEREAS, Robbie has made friendships with comedian Jerry Clower, University of Tennessee quarterback Peyton Manning, UT basketball coach Kevin O'Neil, race driver Dale Earnhardt and others; and

WHEREAS, Robbie is a member of Poplar Grove Baptist Church; he has maintained a closeness to God during this ordeal with cancer and treatments; and

WHEREAS, the cancer is now in remission; Robbie says that God has answered his prayers; and

WHEREAS, his parents, Ernie and Barbara Daniels, have been very supportive of Robbie; and

WHEREAS, Robbie and his parents are deserving of considerable praise for the fine example they have set; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE-HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, That we commend Robbie Daniels and his parents, Ernie and Barbara Daniels, and extend to them our best wishes.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation to Robbie Daniels with this final clause omitted from such copy.